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H. R. 2730

To eliminate segregationist language from the Second Morrill Act.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MFUME introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Agriculture

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. ELIMINATION OF SEGREGATIONIST LANGUAGE**
4 **IN SECOND MORRILL ACT.**

5 In order to eliminate the obsolete language in the
6 Second Morrill Act purporting to approve racial segrega-
7 tion in colleges eligible to receive funds under the First
8 Morrill Act and the Second Morrill Act, the following
9 amendments are enacted:

10 (1) FIRST SECTION.—The first section of the
11 Act of August 30, 1890 (7 U.S.C. 322, 323) (com-

1 monly known as the Second Morrill Act), is amended
2 by striking the two provisos and inserting the follow-
3 ing: “*Provided*, That if any State or Territory has
4 more than one college which is entitled to receive
5 funds under this Act or the Act of July 2, 1862,
6 then no funds shall be paid out under this Act or
7 the Act of July 2, 1862, to such State or Territory
8 unless the funds to be paid out are equitably divided
9 among such colleges, as proposed by the legislature
10 of such State or Territory.”

11 (2) SECOND SECTION.—Section 2 of that Act
12 (7 U.S.C. 324) is amended—

13 (A) by striking “, or the institution for col-
14 ored students”, and

15 (B) by striking “or other institutions”.

16 (3) THIRD SECTION.—Section 3 of that Act (7
17 U.S.C. 325) is amended by striking “, or of institu-
18 tions for colored students”.

19 (4) FOURTH SECTION.—Section 4 of that Act
20 (7 U.S.C. 326) is amended by striking “, or of insti-
21 tutions for colored students,”.

22 (5) EFFECT OF AMENDMENTS.—

23 (A) ELIGIBILITY OF LAND-GRANT COL-
24 LEGES AND INSTITUTIONS.—The amendments
25 made by section 1 shall not affect the eligibility

1 of any land-grant college or institution to re-
2 ceive funds under the Act of July 2, 1862 (7
3 U.S.C. 301–305, 307, and 308) (commonly
4 known as the First Morrill Act), the Act of Au-
5 gust 30, 1890 (7 U.S.C. 321–326, 328), or any
6 other law.

7 (B) LAND-GRANT COLLEGE OR INSTITU-
8 TION DEFINED.—For purposes of this sub-
9 section, the term “land-grant college or institu-
10 tion” means an educational institution (includ-
11 ing Tuskegee Institute) which, on the day be-
12 fore the date of the enactment of this Act, was
13 eligible to receive funds under the Act of July
14 2, 1862, or the Act of August 30, 1890.

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